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**SAVANNAH, Ga.** - The Daktronics/CoSIDA NCAA Division II All-Southeast Region volleyball squad was announced today on the eve of the NCAA Championships as region top seed Armstrong placed four players on the first team, including senior setter **Ashley Seal**, who was named the region Player of the Year.

All 14 members of the first and second team All-Region squad are still playing as members of the eight-team NCAA region field, which begins play in Savannah on Thursday. First-team members advance to national balloting for the Daktronics/CoSIDA NCAA DII Volleyball All-America team.

The Peach Belt Conference's Player and Setter of the Year in 2012, Seal was the first player in league history to earn two major awards in the same season. She hit .296 with a PBC-leading 92 service aces and also averaged 8.11 assists per set, ranking third in the league in assists and sixth in hitting percentage. The Orlando, Fla., native was a three-time PBC Specialist of the Week and also notched the league's only triple-double this season with 13 kills, 40 assists and 14 digs at Augusta State on Nov. 3.

Seal was joined by three of her teammates on the first team All-Region squad. 2012 PBC Tournament MVP **Brittany Wolf** (Sr., MH, Bethlehem, Ga.) currently ranks eighth in the nation in hitting percentage after leading the PBC in 2012 at .392. First-team all-PBC junior **Jessica Santaniello** (Jr., OH, Boca Raton, Fla.) earns All-Region honors for a second straight year after ranking in the Top 10 in the league in kills and assists, while senior **Amanda Jones** (Sr., OH, Marietta, Ga.) hit .306 with 382 kills in earning her first All-Region honor.

Flagler placed two players on the first team as senior Dianna Craine (Sr., OH, Oshawa, Ontario) is on the squad for a second straight year after leading the Peach Belt in kills (408) while ranking in the Top 10 in blocks, digs and service aces. Libero Casey Gnann (Sr., Lib., Boca Raton, Fla.) was the PBC's Defensive Specialist of the Year in 2012 after averaging 5.76 digs per set and was a second-team All-Region honoree last year.

South Atlantic Conference champion Wingate sports the final first-team honoree in SAC Player of the Year Anna Hilton (Jr., RS, Hickory, N.C.). A first-team honoree last season, Hilton hit .318 with 324 kills in 2012, ranking second in the league in hitting percentage and eighth in kills.

The second team consists of two returning All-Region players in Tusculum's Caitlyn Dean (Jr., Lib., Fort Wayne, Ind.) - who was a first-team All-Region selection in 2010 and 2011 - as well as Lincoln Memorial's Blaire Fowler (Sr., MH, Fort Worth, Texas), who was a second-team honoree last year. Flagler's Rachel Stacy (Sr., MH, Orlando, Fla.), Emilee Taylor (Jr., OH, Temple Terrace, Fla.) and Amelia Morgan (Fr., S, Fort Collins, Colo.) were second-team honorees for the Saints, along with

Newberry's Samantha Parrish (Jr., OH, Angola, Ind.) and Wingate's Shelly Stumpff (Fr., OH, Iowa City, Iowa).



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